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ABSTRACT

This book argues that parents, by spending 20 minutes each day imparting the wisdom found in its pages, can compensate for the lack of cultural education their children receive in school. Predicated on the idea that there is a certain background "core knowledge" that every American school child should possess, the book can also be used in the classroom to provide cultural enrichment. The book moves from nursery rhymes and Aesop's Fables to language study, history, mathematics, and natural science. The book (extensively illustrated) adopts an engaging, narrative style and includes activities, from recipes to art projects, that help children enjoy and remember what they are learning. Chapters in the book are: (1) Language Arts; (2) Geography, World Civilization, and American Civilization; (3) Fine Arts; (4) Mathematics; and (5) Natural Sciences. (NKA)

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